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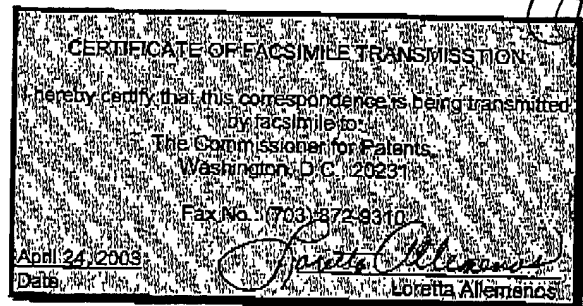
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DEVICES USING MATERIALS WITH
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The Restriction Requirement mailed March 31, 2003 divided the claims into two groups: Group I (claims 1-41, drawn to a liquid crystal device) and Group II (claims 42-51, drawn to a method).

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 31, 2003, Applicants elect Group II, claims 42-51, with traverse. The election is made with traverse because both groups of claims are directed to chiral nonracemic liquid crystal materials which contain a deVries smectic A phase. Therefore, the same search would be required for both groups.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

It is believed that the present submission does not require the payment of any fees. If this is incorrect, however, please charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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